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PUBLIC NOTICE

Re-scheduling of Public Hearing for Proposed Revisions to the Beachfront Baseline and 40-Year Setback Line Dewees Island, Isle of Palms, Sullivans Island, and Kiawah Island

The DHEC Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management is mandated by the Beachfront Management Act to review the position of the beachfront baseline and 40-year setback line, the state's beachfront jurisdictional lines, every 8 to 10 years. DHEC-OCRM has reviewed the position of the baseline and 40-year setback line for Dewees Island, Isle of Palms, Sullivans Island, and Kiawah Island in Charleston County, and has proposed revisions to the positions of these lines. Maps showing the location of the current lines, which were adopted in 1999, and the proposed new lines are now available for public review and comment at DHEC-OCRM's offices in Charleston, Myrtle Beach, and Beaufort. Maps showing the proposed new lines are also available as PDF files that can be downloaded from DHEC-OCRM's website at: <http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/ocrm/permit/beachfront.htm>

At the conclusion of this public review and comment period, a public hearing on these proposed line revisions will be held at 6 PM on Monday, April 6, 2009, at DHEC-OCRM's office in Charleston. This public hearing has been re-scheduled from its original date of March 16, 2009, in order to provide the public with additional time to review the proposed line revisions and prepare comments.

DHEC-OCRM's offices are located in Myrtle Beach at 927 Shine Ave., in Beaufort at 104 Parker Drive, and in Charleston at 1362 McMillan Ave., Suite 400. All interested persons are encouraged to view the revised baseline and setback line positions and provide written comments to Bill Eiser, project manager, at the DHEC-OCRM office at 1362 McMillan Ave., Suite 400, Charleston, SC, 29405. All comments must be received by DHEC-OCRM by April 6, 2009, the date of the public hearing. On April 7, 2009, the revised baseline and setback lines for these four islands will become final and will officially replace the previous lines unless substantiating evidence has been submitted during the public comment period that suggests the proposed revised lines may be in error.